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SUBJECT: NAMIBIAN FUR SEALS

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING TEXT OF LETTER TO CONGRESSMAN
DIGGS.

2. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR CONGRESSMAN DIGGS:

I WISH TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TELEGRAM OF JANUARY 5 EX-
PRESSING DEEP CONCERN OVER THE ACTION OF THE ADMINISTRA-
TIVE LAW JUDGE IN RECOMMENDING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
COMMERCE THAT A WAIVER BE GRANTED TO PERMIT THE IMPORTA-
TION OF FUR SEAL SKINS HARVESTED IN SOUTH AFRICA AND
NAMIBIA.

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THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE MUST NOW DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT

TO GRANT THE WAIVER. AS YOU ARE AWARE, THE ADMINISTRATIVE
LAW JUDGE DECIDED THAT HE HAD NO JURISDICTION TO CONSIDER
QUESTIONS OF INTERNATIONAL LEGAL OBLIGATIONS IN REACHING
HIS DECISION. WE INTEND TO RESTATE OUR VIEW TO THE
SECRETARY OF COMMERCE THAT U.S. GOVERNMENT APPROVAL OF AN
APPLICATION TO IMPORT NAMIBIAN FUR SEAL SKINS FROM SOUTH
AFRICA WOULD BE CONTRARY TO OUR INTERNATIONAL LEGAL

OBLIGATIONS AND HARMFUL TO THE FOREIGN POLICY INTERESTS
OF THE UNITED STATES.

WITH BEST REGARDS. SINCERELY, ROBERT S. INGERSOLL. END
TEXT.

3. ORIGINAL SIGNED LETTER FROM DEPUTY SECRETARY
DELIVERED TO CONGRESSMAN DIGGS' STAFF IN WASHINGTON. KISSINGER

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